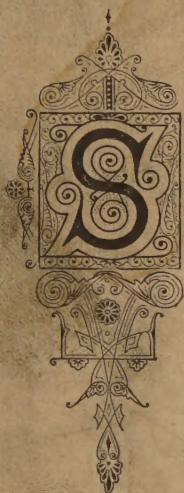


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MINUTES.

THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC met October 2d, A. D. 1879, at 7½ o'clock P. M., in the First Presbyterian Church, of Oakland, California, and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Prof. William Alexander, D. D., of the Presbytery of San Jose, from John 6: 68:

"Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life."

After the sermon, the Synod was constituted with prayer by Dr. Alexander, and the roll was called, and the attendance was as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

Ministers—James M. Dinsmore, Francis M. Dimmick, Thos. Kirkland, Nathaniel B. Klink, Jas. Mitchell, Hugh McLeod, Jas. S. McDonald, Francis H. Robinson, Robert R. Wells, Jas. S. Todd, Richard Wylie, Charles H. Crawford (2*), Henry Loomis (2), J. Pierpont (2), Robert Ballagh (2).

Elders Present and Churches Represented—J. B. Robinson, of Vacaville; E. H. Smyth, of Santa Rosa; W. Buehren, of St. Helena; R. G. Reynolds, M. D. (2), of Clear Lake; C. E. Greene, of Davisville; A. A. Saunders, of Westminster; N. Wagenseller, of Ukiah; S. McBride, of Dixon; Robert J. Trumbull (2), of San Rafael.

Ministers Absent—Alfred H. Croco, James R. Hammond, H. Gustav Kieme, Robert McCulloch, Samuel H. Thomson, LL. D., James L. Woods.

PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

Ministers—Joshua Phelps, D. D. (2), Robert Strong (2), A. J. Compton M. D. (2), Wm. Meyer, Jas. A. Mitchell, Jas. Cameron.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—George Marston (3), of San Diego.

Ministers Absent—B. Lefler, A. F. White, LL. D., J. Gilchrist, P. D. Young, T. E. Taylor, J. Marquis, R. Boag, W. C. Mosher, W. F. P. Noble, S. B. King, J. Mack, E. Halliday.

PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

Ministers—N. Slater, J. N. Hubbard, Edward Graham, P. L. Carden, L. Y. Hayes, J. W. Ellis, H. B. McBride, Robert Mackenzie, P. F. Phelps, J. B. Warren, G. W. Lyons, Henry H. Rice (2).

Elders Present and Churches Represented—John S. Grant, of Virginia City; Alexander Hill, of Sacramento.

Ministers Absent—J. T. Baldwin, B. B. Bonham, S. Hindman, J. B. Jewell, W. P. Kouts, H. A. Mayhew, A. C. Gillies, J. McClain, W. H. Tallmadge, J. White, S. M. Crothers

* The figure indicates the day of the session on which the member appeared.

PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Ministers—W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D., S. Woodbridge, D. D., T. Fraser, E. Verrue, J. Matthews, D. D., J. Eells, D. D., D. McClure, Ph. D., P. V. Veeder, D. D., I. N. Condit, W. Alexander, D. D., W. H. Dean, F. E. Shearer, J. Hemphill, J. Woodworth, J. A. Merrill, J. Curry, J. Rea, A. Williams (2), Geo. Burrowes (2), R. V. Dodge (2), A. S. Fiske (2), J. M. Allis (2), J. B. Poage (2), A. W. Loomis, D. D. (2), M. L. Berger (2), W. J. Smith (2), E. F. Walker.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—Nathaniel Gray, of San Francisco, First; Jas. B. Roberts, of Calvary; J. J. Gardner, of Oakland, First, V. Craig, of Darville; Chas. Geddes (2), of Westminster; Jas. D. Thornton (3), of St. John's.

Ministers Absent—J. Sessions, D. D., S. T. Wells, R. S. Symington, C. T. Mills, D. D., T. M. Cunningham, D. D., J. D. Strong, W. Buehren, H. R. Avery, S. P. Whiting, C. A. Poage, R. L. Tabor, J. L. McKeegan, M. D.

PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

Ministers—W. W. Brier, I. N. Hurd, S. S. Harmon, W. A. Tenney, H. Hill, J. W. Snowden, F. L. Nash, J. M. Newell, J. P. Egbert, H. H. Dobbins, C. E. Babb, D. D. (2), John Edwards (2), T. M. Oviatt (2).

Elders Present and Churches Represented—Wm. Witherow, of Salinas City; A. C. Dubois, of San Leandro; Timothy Cowles, of Watsonville; A. S. Evans, of San Jose; Wm. Thomson, of Tule River; H. W. Briggs, of Gilroy; Joseph R. Weller, of Milpitas.

Ministers Absent—A. Jones, A. Fairbairn, W. H. Wilson, L. Thompson, A. Os-
tram, S. P. Herron, W. F. B. Lynch, C. W. Anthony, J. L. Drum.

Synod proceeded to the election of a Moderator, and Revs. James S. McDonald and W. W. Brier were appointed tellers. The election resulted in the choice of Rev. Richard Wylie, of the Presbytery of Benicia. Rev. Jas. S. McDonald and Rev. J. B. Warren were elected Temporary Clerks.

The following Ministers being present, were invited to sit as Corresponding members, viz:

- A. F. Hale, of the Synod of Kansas;
- H. L. Janeway, of the Synod of Colorado;
- John Thompson, of the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church;
- J. K. McLean, D. D., of the Congregational Association of California.

A partial Report of the Committee of Arrangements and the Committee on Devotional Exercises was presented and adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

The Committee of Arrangements and on Devotional Exercises, appointed last year, report as follows:

1. We recommend that the sessions for business commence at nine o'clock and close at half past twelve in the morning, the first half hour

being given to exercises of worship; and commence at half past one and close at five in the afternoon.

2. That a meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions be held on Friday evening, with two or three short addresses by members of the Synod.

3. That a similar meeting, in the interest of Home Missions, be held on Saturday evening.

4. That the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper be celebrated in connection with the church here, on Sabbath morning, and that the Moderator preach the sermon, and officiate at the table.

5. That a Sunday School Meeting be held on Sabbath afternoon, at three o'clock, under the direction of the Committee.

6. That a Platform Conference meeting, respecting the spiritual welfare of our region, be held on Sabbath evening.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES EELLS, *Chairman.*

On motion, Synod adjourned to meet at 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

FRIDAY, Oct. 3, 1879.

The Synod met at 9 A. M., and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises. Certain ministers and elders appeared and took their seats, as indicated in the attendance on pages 5 and 6, by the figure 2 affixed to their names.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees, to wit:

1. **BILLS AND OVERTURES:**

Ministers—Prof. W. Alexander, D. D., L. Y. Hayes, F. H. Robinson.
Elders—E. H. Smythe, J. B. Roberts.

2. **JUDICIAL:**

Ministers—J. Hemphill, J. Edwards, P. V. Veeder.
Elders—N. Gray, N. Wagenseller.

3. **MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

Ministers—H. H. Dobbins, P. L. Carden.
Elder—R. G. Reynolds.

4. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Ministers—D. McClure, R. R. Wells.
Elder—J. J. Gardner.

5. **TREASURER'S ACCOUNT:**

Ministers—J. W. Ellis, I. M. Condit.
Elder—W. S. Jacks.

6. FINANCE AND MILEAGE:

Ministers—F. M. Dimmick, S. S. Harmon, J. Curry.
Elders—A. S. Evans, H. W. Briggs.

7. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY:

Ministers—Robert McKenzie, C. E. Babb, D. D., J. M. Allis.
Elders—C. E. Greene, J. J. Gardner,

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

Ministers—J. Matthews, H. McLeod.
Elder—A. A. Saunders.

9. RECORDS OF BENICIA PRESBYTERY:

Ministers—N. Slater, J. Woodworth.
Elder—J. B. Robinson.

10. RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY:

Ministers—H. H. Rice, J. Mitchell.
Elder—J. B. Robinson.

11. RECORDS OF SACRAMENTO PRESBYTERY:

Ministers—W. H. Dean, T. Kirkland.
Elder—W. Buehren.

12. RECORDS OF SAN FRANCISCO PRESBYTERY:

Ministers—J. P. Egbert, I. N. Hubbard.
Elder—H. J. Bailey.

13. RECORDS OF SAN JOSE PRESBYTERY:

Ministers—J. Cameron, J. A. Merrill.
Elder—Alexander Hill.

The report of the Presbytery of San Francisco was received and accepted, for which see Appendix I (1).

The Presbyterian Church of San Jose was selected as the place for the next meeting. The time of meeting was fixed at half past two o'clock P. M., on the first Thursday of October, 1880.

The Synodical Missionary, Rev. Thos. Fraser, presented his report, which was received and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

Rev. Chas. Haley, of the Synod of New Jersey, Rev. Jeremiah Porter, of the Congregational Association of Colorado, and Rev. W. R. Fulton, of the Synod of Missouri, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The Session of the San Jose Church was appointed a Committee

of Arrangements, and Rev. John Hemphill alternate preacher, for the next meeting of Synod.

Rev. John Thomson, by invitation, addressed the Synod in behalf of the American and California Bible Societies.

Rev. Dr. Burrowes presented a paper on Education, which on motion was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion, it was made the special order for 2 o'clock P. M. to-day, to hear the report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary.

A communication from Mrs. Mills, inviting the Synod to visit Mill's Seminary, was read, and the invitation accepted, with thanks.

It was resolved that the report of the Synodical Missionary be published in the *Occident* and placed on file.

On motion, Synod took a recess until half past one o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, Oct. 3, 2 o'clock.

Synod resumed business at the expiration of the recess, and on motion a committee, consisting of Dr. Eells, W. H. Dean, and J. M. Allis was appointed to provide for the supply of the pulpits of the churches in the vicinity, desiring to be supplied by Synod.

The Committee on Freedmen presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Freedmen report that the gifts of the church of this Synod, to the work of Christian education among nearly 4,000,000 Freedmen, amounted last year to \$257, a little more than 3 cents per church member. 105 churches took no collection for this work; 16 churches gave all that is reported from the Synod in the minutes of the Assembly. The Presbyterian church has 39 schools for Freedmen, with over 4,000 pupils, 48 ordained ministers, 9 licentiates (colored), 25 catechists (colored), and 80 teachers. Add to this the care of 146 churches with 11,000 communicants, 131 Sunday Schools, having over 8,000 pupils, all supported last year on a little over \$50,000, of which the Freedmen themselves gave \$18,611.55. The General Assembly's Committee sees great need for enlarging their work, yet have to beg for help to sustain the work already begun. Instead of sending continual reinforcements, it is ever in danger of being compelled to contract its lines and discharge some of its workers, because of the coldness and neglect of the churches. We recommend that all the churches in the Synod be urged to give one service in December to the presenta-

tion of this cause, and to take a collection or make an appropriation at that time for its help. We also recommend that this cause be added to the subject of Home Missions, for discussion Saturday evening.

J. P. EGBERT,
N. SLATER,
J. M. ALLIS,
T. KIRKLAND,
S. B. KING,
J. P. CUTLER,
F. HILTON.

Rev. M. M. Gibson, of the Synod of the Pacific of the U. P. Church, and Rev. G. S. Abbott, of the San Francisco Baptist Association, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report, which was accepted. Pending a motion to adopt, the order of the day was taken up and the Directors of the Theological Seminary made their report, which was received and referred to the Committee on the Theological Seminary. (For the Report of the Directors, see Appendix II.)

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures was resumed. The report of the Committee was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

The Committee on Bills and Overtures beg leave to report that an overture of the Presbytery of San Jose has been received, praying that the office of Synodical Missionary be abolished. The Committee is unanimous in recommending that the overture be answered in the negative.

It was also Resolved, That we reaffirm the action of last year as follows, to wit:

FIRST. That the Synod express their high appreciation of the efficient manner in which Rev. Thomas Fraser has discharged the self-denying and laborious duties of his office as Synodical Missionary.

SECOND. That the Synodical Missionary be instructed to confer with the Committees of the Presbyteries, appointed on Home Missions, and that he direct his efforts to such fields and work as may be agreed upon, with a special view to organizing fields into which a Home Missionary may enter, and that then a joint application be made to the Board of Home Missions for a missionary to occupy this field.

THIRD. That the Synodical Missionary be required to report to next Synod the work he has done in detail, within the bounds of each Presbytery.

The report of the Presbytery of San José was presented and accepted. See Appendix I, 2.

It was Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Publication be made the order of the day for half past nine o'clock to-morrow.

The following was adopted, to wit:

Resolved, That the Synod having heard with great pleasure the address of Rev. John Thompson, Superintendent of the Bible work on this Coast, desire to commend him and his work to the sympathy and benovolence of all the congregations of this Synod.

Synod then took a recess until half past seven o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, Oct. 3, 1879, 7½ o'clock P. M.

The Synod convened, and a service was held in the interest of Foreign Missions. Addresses were delivered by Rev. S. A. D. Hunter, under appointment to the mission work in China, and Rev. E. S. Booth, under appointment of the Reformed Church to Japan.

Rev. Dr. Eells read the report of the Secretary of the Occidental Branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

On motion this report was received, referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, and ordered on file.

The Treasurer's report of the same Society was read, and on motion referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, and also ordered on file, and *The Occident* was requested to publish these two reports.

Addresses were delivered in conclusion by Rev. Robert McKenzie and Rev. Dr. Eells.

The Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY, Oct. 4, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Synod met and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises.

Elders J. D. Thornton and George Marston appeared and were enrolled.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The hour having arrived for the order of the day viz., the Report of the Committee on Publication, the Report, as prepared by Dr. Thomson, the Chairman of the Committee, was read by Rev. James Mitchell, accepted, and recommitted to the Committee with instructions to make an abstract of the report for the minutes. The following members were added to this Committee to fill vacancies: Ministers H. H. Rice, J. Curry, J. P. Egbert, and Elders J. S. Grant and A. Hill.

The Committee on Ministerial Relief made their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Ministerial Relief respectfully report:

1. That we have received no applications for aid from this Board.
2. That we have carefully examined the Statistical Reports of the various Presbyteries in this Synod, and find a gratifying increase in the amounts given to this object.
3. In order that the amount given may continue to increase, we recommend that the Pastors and Sessions of churches which have not heretofore contributed be urged to take up collections for this Board.

F. L. NASH,
A. J. COMPTON,
JAMES CAMERON.

The Presbytery of Benicia presented its report, which was accepted, for which see Appendix I, 3.

The Committee on Education, to which was referred the paper of Dr. Burrowes, reported the following, which was accepted and adopted, to wit:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Resolution of Dr. Burrowes on Education, beg leave to submit the following:

1. This Synod has always held, and still maintains, that the Holy Scriptures furnish the basis of all true morality and religion.
2. That in our systems of public instruction, every child in the State should be guaranteed such an amount of education as will fit him to become a good citizen, and enable him to transact the ordinary business of life.
3. That while this Synod most firmly believes that the children and youth of our land are entitled, as a part of their education, to be instructed in the fundamental principles of a morality and religion that are universal, and that this right is so solemn and sacred that it ought never to be denied to them,—yet, in those schools founded by the State, and for the support of which the property of every citizen is taxed—

this Synod, as an ecclesiastical body, disclaims all interference, and all intentions of interfering, trusting that the constituted authorities will make such provision for this department of education as the necessities of the case demand, and as their sense of duty to the young, to their country, and to their God, shall dictate.

4. That this Synod desires to acknowledge with thankfulness to Almighty God the great good in this direction which has already been done, and is now being done, in the various private schools, academies, and colleges in this State, and we most heartily bid the laborers therein God-speed, and we most cordially promise them our moral support in these great and good enterprises.

5. We most affectionately and solemnly enjoin on all the families in our churches and congregations household religion, and most earnestly entreat them to make it a daily duty to faithfully instruct their children in all the principles of our holy religion, and to endeavor to bring them up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

W. A. SCOTT,
JAMES CAMERON,
RICHARD WYLIE.

On motion, the *Occident* was requested to publish the above report.

The Presbytery of Los Angeles presented its report, which was accepted, and for which see Appendix I, 4.

The Presbytery of Sacramento presented its report, which was accepted, and for which see Appendix I, 5.

Rev. B. S. McLafferty, of the San Francisco Baptist Association, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The reception of delegates from corresponding bodies was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock P. M.

The Standing Committee on Home Missions presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

The standing Committee on Home Missions report that they have quite full information from the several Presbyteries of the Synod, and while for various reasons there are some rather discouraging facts in the history of our work during the year, there are other facts which must be regarded as hopeful. Nine new churches have been organized, and four have become self-supporting. One very cheering feature of the present condition of the field is seen in the willingness, to a degree not before manifested by the churches, to unite when this is practicable in the support of a minister, and thus diminish our applications to the Board for aid. In every Presbytery this grouping, through the

counsel of the Presbyterian Committees, has been to some extent effected, and with marked favorable results. It is to be regretted that a spirit in either churches or ministers sometimes exhibited, but surely not to be commended, should ever defeat such an object.

Some of our missionary churches have been diminished in numbers, and two or three are reported as in danger of extinction, because of the embarrassments occasioned by the depression in business, which has specially affected some portions of our region. Yet, on the whole, we have reason to be thankful and encouraged, and the Synod may hope to have reports of general advance, with the blessing of God, during the year to come.

The Report of the Synodical Missionary, which was referred to this Committee, is its own best commendation, as heard by the Synod. It is a record of fidelity and self-denying service, often in the midst of great difficulty and discouragement, which no doubt receives the sincere approbation of us all.

The Report closes with two suggestions, which we unanimously recommend for the adoption of the Synod, viz.:

1. That our churches be affectionately and emphatically urged to pay an average of seventy-five cents a member during the coming year, into the treasury of the Board of Home Missions.

2. That a Committee of three ladies from each Presbytery be appointed by the Synod, to devise and supervise general plans and work for the ladies of our Church in the interest of Home Missions, such Committee to report annually to this Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES EELLS, *Chairman.*

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of San Francisco made their report, which was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee to examine the Records of the Presbytery of San Francisco, reports that it finds the minutes in proper form, and recommends their approval.

Rev. Dr. Scott, Principal, and Rev. A. S. Fiske, Alternate, delegates to the Pacific Synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, were, on motion, excused at their own request, and Rev. J. P. Egbert was appointed Principal, and Dr. Babb, Alternate.

By invitation, Rev. James Pierpont addressed the Synod in behalf of the Sailors' Home in San Francisco.

The Committee on the Narrative of the State of Religion, presented their report, which was adopted, and for which see Appendix III.

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported in part—that the fol-

lowing had presented excuses for tardiness, or been granted leave of absence, to wit:

Ministers—S. S. Harmon, A. Williams, W. J. Smith, P. L. Carden, I. N. Hurd, James Mitchell, and James A. Mitchell.

Elders—Wm. Thompson, W. S. Jacks, A. Hill, C. E. Greene.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported, and the report was adopted as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly beg leave to submit the following report:

From a hasty examination of the minutes, we do not find anything requiring the special action of this body, but would urge upon the members to study carefully the statistical report on financial contributions, and earnestly endeavor to raise the per cent. per member during the coming year.

The work both upon the Home and Foreign fields requires aggressive action, and as both of these Boards report heavy deficiencies of the funds necessary to carry on their great work, your committee calls the attention of the Synod to this fact, that it may emphasize the necessity of every church in the State to contribute more liberally to these Boards. Your Committee also calls the attention of the Synod to the deficiency of ministerial as well as financial supply, and recommend that the attention of the several churches be called to this fact.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. H. DOBBINS,
JAMES CAMERON,
R. G. REYNOLDS.

On motion, a Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, to report at the next session of Synod, was appointed, consisting of Rev. Jas. M. Newell and Rev. A. J. Compton.

On motion, Synod proceeded to the election of Synodical Missionary. Rev. Thomas Fraser was nominated, and, on motion, the Temporary Clerk was authorized to cast the ballot. He did so, and Rev. Thos. Fraser was declared elected.

The Committee on Correspondence presented its Report, which was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

The Committee on Correspondence respectfully recommend that the following-named brethren be appointed as delegates from this Synod to our corresponding bodies:

To the Congregational Association of the State of California for

1880, Rev. John Hemphill, Principal; and Rev. A. S. Fiske, Alternate.

To the Pacific Synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church for 1880, Rev. John Edwards, Principal; and S. S. Harmon, Alternate.

To the Annual California Conference of the M. E. Church for 1880, Rev. F. M. Dimmick, Principal; and Rev. R. Wylie, Alternate.

To the Pacific Conference of the M. E. Church South for 1880, Rev. H. H. Rice; and Rev. Nelson Slater, Alternate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES MATTHEWS,
HUGH McLEOD,
A. A. SAUNDERS.

On motion it was made the second order of the day for this afternoon to hear the reports of our delegates to other bodies.

On motion, the Committee on Bills and Overtures was directed to nominate three women from each Presbytery to constitute a Synodical Committee on Home Missions, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Home Missions of this Synod.

The Committee on Church Erection presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Report of the Standing Committee on Church Erection:

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has a permanent fund for Church erection of \$152,957. The interest only of this fund can be used. The whole amount received for the year ending April 1st, 1879 for current use was \$91,377. The number of churches aided was 182. The whole amount of aid \$89,018. The single grant to each church was about \$500.

In the Synod of the Pacific, 38 churches contributed to this cause \$2,316, as follows: In Benicia Presbytery 8 churches gave \$59. In Los Angeles Presbytery 4 churches gave \$21; In Sacramento Presbytery 8 churches gave \$54. In San Francisco Presbytery 10 churches gave \$2,135. In San Jose Presbytery 8 churches gave \$47.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That all the churches under the care of this Synod be earnestly requested to take up a collection for Church Erection in the month of July, as recommended by the General Assembly.

C. E. BABB, *Chairman*.

Oakland, Oct. 4, 1879.

The Chairman of the Committee on Church Erection presented a Supplemental Report, embodying his own views and making certain suggestions, and on motion it was accepted, and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

On motion, Standing Rule XXII was suspended, and mileage ordered paid to the Presbyteries without reference to any deficit in the payment of their assessments.

The Committee on Finance and Mileage reported, and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on Finance and Mileage would report that they find the sum of \$385.80, which they recommend be distributed for mileage as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

Claims,.....	\$125.60
Deductions,.....	25.00
Net Claims,.....	\$100.60

PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

Claims,.....	\$220.50
Deductions,.....	45.00
Net Claims,.....	\$175.50

PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

Claims,.....	\$102.40
Deductions,.....	35.00
Net Claims,.....	\$ 67.40

PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

Claims,.....	\$102.10
Deductions,.....	60.00
Net Claims,.....	\$ 42.10
Total Claims,.....	\$545.60
Total Deductions,.....	160.00
Total Net Claims,.....	\$385.60

Thus the Net Claims for mileage are met in full by your order, in appropriating \$385.80 for mileage purposes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. M. DIMMICK,
JAMES CURRY.

The Committee on Board of Publication reported, and the Report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on the Board of Publication would respectfully report:

According to the statistics of the General Assembly, the following

sums were contributed to the Missionary Fund of the Board during the year ending March 31, 1879:

<i>Presbytery of Benicia.</i> —Three churches contributed,	\$30.00
<i>Presbytery of Los Angeles.</i> —Three churches gave,	5.00
<i>Presbytery of Sacramento.</i> —Three churches gave,	28.00
<i>Presbytery of San Francisco.</i> —Five churches gave,	514.00
<i>Presbytery of San Jose.</i> —Two churches gave,	3.00
Total contributions of Synod,	\$580.00

Of 121 churches 16 took collections and 105 gave nothing.

Considering the character of the population within our bounds, and the powerful influence issuing from the stage, the platform, and the press, tending to banish from the mind all thought of a future judgment, these figures suggest some serious reflections.

In the presence of this array of powerful agencies destructive of all good, and in view of the spread of materialism in general among the people, the indifference of our churches to the importance of supplying the public with a pure and attractive Christian literature as a counter-acting agency, and our neglect of the many instrumentalities to secure a Christian training to the rising generation, is simply appalling.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That Pastors and church Sessions are hereby reminded that it is their duty to take annual collections for the Missionary Fund of the Board of Publication.

2. That in accordance with the action of the General Assembly, Synod earnestly requests all our churches to use in Sabbath-school instruction the Lesson Papers, Question Books, and Teachers' Helps, published by our Board. Respectfully submitted,

JAS. MITCHELL,

Chairman of Committee.

On motion, it was requested that the names and post-office address of our ministers be published in the Occident.

On motion, the members of the Presbytery of Los Angeles were granted leave to retire.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Sacramento reported, and the report was accepted.

On motion, it was recommitted to the Committee, and the Presbytery of Sacramento was allowed the opportunity to meet and complete their records.

Rev. Thos. Guard, D. D., of the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Synod took recess till half past one o'clock P. M.

SATURDAY, Oct, 4, 1½ o'clock P. M.

The Synod resumed business, and the Treasurer reported, and his report was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Treasurer's account.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Sacramento reported, recommending that the Records be approved, and the report was adopted.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of San Jose reported that they had examined the Records of the Presbytery and found them correct, and recommended their approval. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Devotional exercises reported the following, which was adopted, to wit:

That the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper be celebrated in connection with this church on Sabbath morning. That the Moderator preach the sermon, and Rev. R. V. Dodge and Rev. Jeremiah Porter preside at the table, and the Elders of this church serve in the distribution of the bread and wine.

That Rev. J. W. Ellis, Rev. J. S. McDonald, and Rev. A. S. Fiske address the Sunday School Meeting in this house on Sabbath afternoon at three o'clock.

That Rev. H. H. Rice, Rev. W. W. Brier, Rev. F. M. Dimmick, Rev. A. J. Compton, and Rev. James Eells, address the meeting in this house on Sabbath evening.

JAMES EELLS, *Chairman.*

The Committee to provide supplies for the pulpits in this vicinity requesting supplies, reported

That Rev. A. S. Fiske preach in the First Congregational Church of Oakland, on Sabbath evening.

That Rev. John Hemphill preach in the First Methodist Church of Oakland, on Sabbath morning.

That Rev. James Mitchell preach in the First Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, on Sabbath morning.

That Rev. James Curry preach in the churches of Olivet and South San Francisco.

That Rev. Albert Hale preach in the Presbyterian Church of Berkeley.

That Rev. H. H. Dobbins preach in East Oakland.

That Rev. E. Graham preach in Second Church of Oakland.

That Rev. Mr. Walker and Rev. Mr. Meyer, preach in the Larkin St. Church of San Francisco.

That Rev. F. H. Robinson preach in the Presbyterian Church of San Rafael.

Rev. Robert McKenzie preach in the Calvary Church of San Francisco.

That Rev. Robert Ballagh preach in San Pablo and W. Berkeley Churches.

That Rev. A. J. Compton preach in the Woodbridge Presbyterian Church of San Francisco.

The report was adopted.

JAMES EELLS, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported:

1. Concerning the supplemental report of Dr. Babb on Church Erection, recommending that the Stated Clerk be directed to prepare a circular in accordance with the request on the subject of church property and church accommodation.

2. The Committee would nominate for a Woman's Committee on Home Missions the following persons, to wit:

Los Angeles Presbytery.—Mrs. Jas. Cameron, Mrs. J. Hanson, Mrs. Dr. Greene.

Benicia Presbytery.—Mrs. F. M. Dimmick, Mrs. Richard Wylie, Mrs. J. S. McDonald.

San Jose Presbytery.—Mrs. W. W. Rice, Mrs. J. M. Newell, Miss Bray.

Sacramento Presbytery.—Mrs. E. B. Conklin, Mrs. H. H. Rice, Mrs. J. Bidwell.

San Francisco Presbytery.—Mrs. N. G. Kittle, Mrs. J. B. Ford, Mrs. Thos. Magee.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary reported, and the report was adopted as follows, to wit:

Your Committee appointed on the Theological Seminary have received and considered the Minutes of the Board of Directors and those of the Trustees; the Treasurer's report, together with a statement of the Student's Contingent Fund and expenses for furnishing the rooms of the Seminary.

We find the reports and minutes full, explicit, and satisfactory.

Collections for the Contingent Fund were received from only twelve churches; an equal number gave through the Rev. J. A. Mitchell, amounting to \$476.00. Donations from individuals to the amount of \$270.00 were also received. Gifts of books to the Seminary Library from Rev. C. W. Anthony, of Livermore, and C. S. Capp, Esq., and H. C. Beals, Esq., and also an additional gift from the Library of the late Mr. Sweezy, have been thankfully received.

We desire to call special attention to the faithful and self-denying labors of the Faculty of the Seminary during the past year, and we regret that they have not been more adequately paid. The Synod hereby expresses its deep sense of the loss which the Seminary sustains in the resignation of Prof. Eells, and assures him of its grateful appreciation of his services to the Seminary, and it invokes the special benediction of the Master upon him in his new field of labor.

Two young men completed the required course of study, and were graduated at the end of the year. Eight are now in attendance, four in the Junior, one in the Middle, and three in the Senior, class. Three other young men are pursuing a preparatory course, designing to enter the Seminary in due time.

Our Seminary is not only the central interest of our church on this Coast, but is one of the most important educational agencies of the Pacific Slope. Its influence is not confined to this State only, but is as far-reaching and as permanent as the church. It is open to students of all denominations. It is to this part of the country what other Seminaries are to the East and Interior, around which gather the wisdom and the wealth of benevolent friends. All the influences that they so manifestly bring to bear upon society are latent in our Seminary. It therefore commends itself to all those whose property interests are identified with the permanent prosperity of this Coast, irrespective of denominational affiliations, and we invite the attention of the wealthy and liberal to it as one of the channels through which they can make investments for the future intellectual and moral elevation of the region in which God has prospered them.

We recommend action to the Synod as follows:

Resolved, 1. That the Minutes and Reports of the Directors, Trustees, and Treasurer be approved.

Resolved, 2. That, as the only reliable source of income to the Student's Contingent Fund is the regular contributions of the churches, each church under the care of this Synod be requested to take up a collection for this purpose as early in the current session of the Seminary as possible.

Resolved, 3. That until permanent endowments can be secured for the Chairs of the professors, an effort be made to obtain annual subscriptions for their support from individuals and churches, and that the special thanks of the Synod are due and are hereby tendered to Wm.

Thaw, Esq., of Pittsburg, Pa., for his contribution of \$5,000 to this purpose last year.

Resolved, 4. That Rev. Dr. A. A. Lindsley, Dr. C. E. Babb, Dr. Jas. Matthews, and Richard Wylie, and Elders Nathaniel Gray and Elijah Bigelow, be nominated for election in the place of the Seminary Directors whose term of office expires at this time.

Resolved, 5. That we have reason to rejoice in the fact that our Seminary has been sustained during another year; that it opens with an increased number of students; that some churches and individuals have aided it by generous donations, and that its prospects for permanence and enlarged usefulness were never brighter than now.

ROBERT MACKENZIE,
C. E. BABB,
J. M. ALLIS,
J. J. GARDNER,
C. E. GREENE.

Rev. Jas. Matthews, D. D., Rev. Dr. Lindsley, Rev. C. E. Babb, D. D., and Rev. Richard Wylie, and Elders E. Bigelow and N. Gray, were elected by ballot Directors of the Theological Seminary for three years.

The order of the day having arrived, Rev. Dr. Guard appeared before Synod, and presented the congratulations of the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church. To this address the Moderator replied in appropriate terms.

The second order of the day being the hearing of our delegates to corresponding bodies, Rev. Jas. Mitchell, delegate to the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, and Rev. H. H. Rice, delegate to the Congregational Association of California, reported that they had discharged their duties.

The several reports were accepted.

The Committee to audit the Treasurer's account reported the account correct, corresponding with the vouchers, and recommended its approval. The report was adopted, the account being as follows, to wit:

The Treasurer of the Synod of the Pacific would respectfully report:
That he had on hand according to the last report,.....\$144.22
That he has since received from the Presbytery of San Francisco, on the
assessment of 1878,..... 129.50
From the Presbytery of San Francisco, on the assessment of 1879,..... 104.30
Received from the Presbytery of Benicia,..... 73.00
" " " " Sacramento,..... 104.25
" " " " Los Angeles,..... 51.00
" " " " San Jose,..... 80.00

\$686.27

That he has paid for printing 500 copies of Minutes for 1878,.....	\$ 94.50
Salary of Stated Clerk,.....	50.00
Expressage on Records and Minutes,.....	80
Postage on Minutes and Letters,.....	6.25
To the Presbytery of Benicia, for mileage,.....	54.10
“ “ Sacramento,.....	175.50
“ “ Los Angeles,.....	100.60
“ “ San Jose,.....	67.40
Balance on hand,.....	137.12

\$686.27

FREDERICK E. SHEARER, *Treasurer.*

At the request of Rev. Dr. Babb, the Synod, on motion, went into the Committee of the whole, and at the expiration of fifteen minutes the Committee rose, and the Synod resumed business.

The following was adopted, to wit:

Whereas, We have listened with much interest to the statements of Rev. James Pierpont, concerning his labors as Chaplain of the Sailor's Home in San Francisco, therefore

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the work in which Bro. Pierpont is engaged, and we cheerfully commend it and himself to the sympathy and encouragement of our people.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Los Angeles reported, and the report was amended and adopted as follows, to wit:

To the Synod of the Pacific: Your Committee on Minutes of the Presbytery of Los Angeles would report:

We find the Records neatly kept, and recommend that they be signed and approved with the following minute, to wit:

That Presbytery met in Anaheim, on April 3, 1879, in regular spring meeting on call of the Moderator, instead of at Colton, to which place Presbytery stood adjourned.* The change was made as appears by the Record, page 87, on account of an impracticability of meeting in Colton, which had arisen after the previous meeting, and also at request of a majority of ministers. The Presbytery submits its proceedings to Synod for approval. Your Committee recommend that Synod find the action of the Moderator irregular, but as the business was of a routine character and the circumstances exceptional, the proceedings of the Presbytery are hereby legalized and the records approved.

HENRY H. RICE,

JAS. MITCHELL,

J. B. ROBINSON.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported, and their report was adopted as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on Foreign Missions would report:

By the Minutes of the Assembly, the following sums were contributed to this cause during the year ending March 31, 1879:

<i>Presbytery of Benicia.</i> —Nine churches gave,	\$ 227.00
<i>Presbytery of Los Angeles.</i> —Five churches gave,	16.00
<i>Presbytery of Sacramento.</i> —Twelve churches gave,	189.00
<i>Presbytery of San Francisco.</i> —Sixteen churches gave,	1850.00
<i>Presbytery of San Jose.</i> —Nine churches gave,	564.00
Total given,	\$2846.00
By 51 of 121 churches in Synod, so that 70 gave nothing.	

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we heartily recommend the great interests of Foreign Missions to the prayers, the efforts, and the liberal contributions of all our ministers, churches, and private members, and as well to the generous people without the limits of the church.

Resolved, 2. That we suggest to the several Presbyteries and their Committees on Foreign Missions to take steps to secure a contribution for this grand cause from every church.

Resolved, 3. That we sincerely rejoice in the work performed by the Occidental Branch of the Women's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, and cordially commend their especial work to the members of our congregations.

Resolved, 4. That we thankfully acknowledge the favor which the great Head of the Church has shown this cause among the heathen in our own land and in other lands, and earnestly pray that a still richer blessing may be given from on high.

H. H. RICE,
JAMES S. McDONALD,
J. EDWARDS.

The following was adopted, to wit:

Whereas, The General Assembly has requested the Presbyteries to collect Sunday School Statistics, and

Whereas, It is the wish of Synod to co-operate with its Presbyteries in this matter,

1. *Resolved*, That Synod appoint the following Committee for the purpose: Rev. J. M. Newell, Rev. R. McKenzie, Rev. R. Strong, Rev. J. M. Allis, and Rev. J. S. McDonald.

2. *Resolved*, That the said Committee are requested to collect S. S. Statistics as they stand March 31, 1880, and publish the same in a circular, which shall be sent to each Sabbath-school connected with Synod.

3. *Resolved*, That a permanent Committee on Sabbath-schools be appointed at each Synod, to consider the general work, and also to gather and publish statistics of the Sunday Schools.

On motion, the minutes were read, and approved as far as read.

It was Resolved, That the recommendation of the Committee of Home Missions, in reference to the appointment of a committee of women in the interests of Home Missions, and the action of Synod in appointing such committee, be published in the *Occident*.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to publish and distribute the Minutes of Synod in the usual form, within two months of our adjournment.

It was Resolved, That the American Tract Society, in its efforts to supply and distribute a sound evangelical literature, in the form of sheet tracts and bound volumes and periodicals, by approved authors, is entitled to recognition by this Synod, and we do earnestly commend this Society and its work to the favorable consideration of all our churches.

On motion, the Synod took recess until half past seven o'clock P. M.

SATURDAY, Oct. 4, 7½ o'clock P. M.

The Synod met, and a public meeting was held in the interests of Home Missions. Addresses were delivered by Revs. L. Y. Hayes, R. V. Dodge, P. F. Phelps, and Wm. Meyer.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Benicia reported that the Records were correct, and recommended their approval.

The report was adopted.

It was Resolved, That thanks of this body be returned to the citizens of Oakland for their kind and hospitable entertainment of the members of Synod; to the ladies of this church for their bountiful lunch so kindly prepared and served in the church each day of our sessions; and to the daily papers which have so fairly reported our proceedings.

Your Committee on Leave of Absence would respectfully report that they have granted leave of absence to the following persons, viz:

Ministers—S. Woodbridge, D. D., W. A. Scott, D. D. LL. D., Geo. Burrowes, D. D., A. W. Loomis, D. D., and E. F. Walker.

The Report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

On motion, standing Rule XXII was suspended, and the roll was called, and the following were absent without leave, to wit:

Ministers—R. Ballagh, E. Verrue, J. B. Poage, I N. Condit, M. L. Berger, J. Rea, W. J. Smith, T. M. Oviatt, W. A. Tenney, H. Hill, J. W. Snowden, F. L. Nash, J. M. Newell, and J. P. Egbert.

Elders—J. B. Robinson, E. H. Smyth, W. Buehren, R. G. Reynolds, M D., A. A. Saunders, N. Wagenseller.

On motion, an assessment of ten cents per member was made for the mileage and contingent fund for the ensuing year.

The Permanent Committees were appointed by the Moderator to report the next Synod, and are as found on pages 3 and 4.

On motion, the action of Synod last year, in reference to the attendance of Ruling Elders at our sessions, was repeated. Said action is as follows, to wit:

Resolved, That the Sessions of our churches be requested to take particular pains to be represented by an Elder in Synod, for the good of their own churches, and because it is a duty which they owe to the Synod.

It was Resolved, That when we adjourn, we adjourn until eleven o'clock P. M. to-morrow, and that after the celebration of the Lord's Supper the Synod take recess until three o'clock P. M., the time for a Sunday School meeting, and after the Sunday School meeting, take recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod adjourned.

Closed with prayer by Dr. Matthews.

SUNDAY, Oct. 5, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Synod convened together with a large congregation, and after the morning service, at which Rev. Richard Wylie, the Moderator, preached from John 5: 44, and the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in accordance with the report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises, the Synod took recess until 3 o'clock P. M., and then convened again for a Sunday School meeting, at which addresses were delivered by Revs. James S. McDonald, A. S. Fiske, and J. M. Allis.

At the close of the Sunday School meeting a recess was taken until

7½ o'clock P. M., when a popular meeting was held, and addresses made concerning the work of the church in the bounds of the Synod by the following persons, viz: Rev. H. H. Rice, F. M. Dimmick, W. W. Brier, and Dr. Eells.

The minutes were approved and the Synod then adjourned to meet in San Jose the first Thursday of October, 1880, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Closed with prayer and the apostolic benediction by the Moderator.

FREDERIC E. SHEARER,
Stated Clerk.



APPENDIX.

I. PRESBYTERIAL REPORTS.

1. PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Presbytery of San Francisco would most respectfully report to the Synod of the Pacific that it consists of thirty-nine ministers, and has under its care twenty-four churches and three licentiates; that since the last meeting of Synod the following changes have taken place, to wit:

On December 30, 1878 the Centennial Church and Emmanuel Church, and on April 24, 1879, the First German Church of Oakland, were dropped from the roll. That it received under its care as candidates for the gospel ministry, December 30, 1878, W. H. Darden, from the Presbytery of Wilmington, and Robert Ballagh, from the Presbytery of Wooster, and September 2, 1879, Chas. A. Merrill. That it licensed to preach the gospel for one year from April 24, 1879, Robert Ballagh, J. B. Warren, Jos. Hemphill, and Jas. Thompson, and on April 8, 1879, renewed the license of Williel Thompson and W. O. Phillipps for one year.

That it dismissed from its care April 8, 1879, W. O. Phillipps, licentiate to the Presbytery of West Virginia; August 4, 1879, J. B. Warren, to the Presbytery of Sacramento, and Sept. 2, 1879, Robert Ballagh, to the Presbytery of Benicia. That it received under its care as a licentiate, Sept. 2, 1879, Edward F. Walker, from the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church.

That it received into membership, April 8, 1879, Prof. W. Alexander, D. D., from the Presbytery of San Jose, and W. J. Smith, from the Presbytery of California, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

That it dismissed from its membership, on April 8, 1879, Rev. James Agnew, to the Presbytery of Puget Sound, and Rev. James Woods, to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

That it ordained, Sept. 8, 1879, Mr. Edward F. Walker, as an Evangelist; and that it installed W. J. Smith as pastor of the Central Church on April 13, 1879; and J. A. Merrill pastor of the Olivet and Memorial Churches on May 11, 1879.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. E. SHEARER,
Stated Clerk.

2. PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

The Presbytery of San Jose would respectfully report to the Synod of the Pacific that it has twenty-two ministers, and has under its care twenty-two churches.

1. It received on Oct. 3, 1878, Rev. James Newell, from the Presbytery of Sacramento, and on April 2, 1879, Rev. Wm. A. Tenney, from the Bay Association.

2. It dismissed on Oct. 3, 1878, Rev. E. M. Betts, to the Winnebago Convention, and on April 2, 1879, Rev. Wm. Alexander, D. D., to the Presbytery of San Francisco.

3. On April 2, 1879, it dissolved the pastoral relation which had existed between Rev. Wm. H. Wilson and the church of Salinas City.

4. On April 2, 1879, it received under its care the "Harmony" church, organized by Rev. T. M. Oviatt, in Hunsacker School-house, Tulare Co., on March 23, 1879. On Oct. 1, 1879, it received under its care "Cayucos" church, organized by Rev. H. H. Dobbins, March 23, 1879, in Cayucos, San Luis Obispo Co., Cal.

W. W. BRIER,

Stated Clerk

3. PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

The Presbytery of Benicia would respectfully report to the Synod of the Pacific that it consists of twenty-three ministers and twenty-six churches.

Two licentiates have been received from the Presbytery of San Francisco, and ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. Mr. James M. Dinsmore was ordained on the 20th day of November, 1878. Mr. Robert Ballagh was ordained on the 1st day of October, 1879.

Two churches have been organized and taken under the care of the Presbytery. The church at Duncan's Mills was organized March 9, 1879, and the church at Plainfield was organized July 13, 1879.

The Presbytery dismissed Rev. E. Halliday to the Presbytery of Los Angeles, on the 14th day of April, 1879.

It has under its care one candidate for the ministry, Mr. Matthew T. White. The church at Dixon has been completed, and was dedicated to the service of God, Nov. 20, 1878.

The following ministers have been received during the year: Rev. H. B. McBride, of the Presbytery of Sacramento, and Rev. James A. Mitchell, of the Presbytery of Los Angeles, Oct. 3, 1879.

N. B. KLINK,

Stated Clerk.

4. PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

The Presbytery of Los Angeles respectfully report that it consists of nineteen churches and seventeen ministers, and that it has no licentiates or candidates for the ministry.

1. It received Rev. A. J. Compton, M. D., from the Presbytery of Benicia, Dec. 21, 1878; Rev. William Meyer from the Presbytery of Dayton, April 14, 1879; and Rev. E. Halliday from the Presbytery of Benicia, Sept. 29, 1879.

2. It dismissed Rev. Edward Graham to the Presbytery of Sacramento, Oct. 3, 1879, and Rev. James A. Mitchell to the Presbytery of Benicia, Oct. 3, 1879.

3. It installed Rev. A. J. Compton, M. D., as Pastor of the Presbyterian Church

of Westminster, Dec. 22, 1879, and dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. E. Graham and the Santa Barbara Church.

4. It organized and received the churches at Newport and Phoenix, Arizona.

ROBERT STRONG,
Stated Clerk.

5. PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

The Presbytery of Sacramento would respectfully report that it has received during the Synodical year the following ministers from other bodies, viz.:

1. Rev. Robert Mackenzie, from the Presbytery of Crawfordsville.
2. Rev. J. T. Baldwin, from the Congregational General Association of California.
3. Rev. Silas Hindman, from the Springfield Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

These were all received at the spring meeting of Presbytery. At the fall meeting,

4. Rev. Geo. W. Lyons was received, from the Presbytery of Steubenville.

The Presbytery also received two licentiates under its care, Mr. Geo. C. Whyte, from the Presbytery of Colorado, and Mr. J. B. Warren, from the Presbytery of San Francisco. Both of these brethren have since been ordained.

There have been three installations during the year:

1. Rev. Edward Graham, over the Virginia City Presbyterian Church.
2. Rev. Robert Mackenzie, over the Stockton Presbyterian Church.

3. Rev. J. B. Warren, over the Presbyterian Church at Modesto.

The following ministers have been dismissed to other bodies, viz.:

1. At the spring meeting, Rev. John Carington, to the Bay Association of Congregational churches.

2. At the fall meeting, Rev. A. C. Gillies, to the Presbytery of Sydney, Australia.

5. Rev. H. B. McBride, to the Presbytery of Benicia.

Three churches have been received under the care of Presbytery, one at Redding, one at Sheridan, and one at Modesto; the two first on the railroad leading north from Sacramento towards Oregon; the last one on the railroad leading south from Stockton.

There are now 21 ministers belonging to the Sacramento Presbytery, and 32 churches under its care.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. SLATER,
Stated Clerk.

II. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF SAN FRANCISCO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC, TO MEET IN OAKLAND, OCTOBER 2, 1879.

DEAR BRETHREN: The term of 1878-9 opened the first Thursday of September, 1878, and closed the last Thursday of April, 1879. Three days were spent in the annual examinations of the students. The Faculty were assisted in their exercises by some of the Trustees, and by a Committee of the Presbytery of San Francisco. The report of this Committee, highly approving of the examinations, was made to the Presbytery, and is on file in their records. The report of the Faculty is herewith submitted with the records of the Board of Directors. All the Professors have been diligent in performing their duties in their respective chairs. The students of the term in the *Junior Class* were Messrs. E. H. Jamieson, son of a missionary, born in India, graduate of Monmouth College, William Henry Darden, born in North Carolina, educated at Princeton, N. J., and John McKenzie, born in Nova Scotia, educated at Dalhousie, and King's College. The *Middle Class*, Messrs. Joseph Hemphill, born in Ireland, graduate of Magee College, David Gamble, born in Ireland, educated at University Mound College of this City, and James Thompson, born in Denmark, and came to us from the Pacific Theological Seminary, Oakland, with recommendations. The *Senior Class*, Messrs. John B. Warren, born in South Carolina, and prepared to enter the Seminary by pursuing his studies with private instructors, Robert Ballagh, born in Ireland, graduate of Wooster University, and had spent two years in Union Theological Seminary, City of New York. Adolph Geyer, a minister of the Lutheran Church, connected with the Synod of Buffalo, educated at Hermansville, Germany, attended a part of the lectures on Theology, and was then called to a mission in Canada.

The usual certificates were granted to J. B. Warren and Robert Ballagh, for having satisfactorily completed the course of studies in the Seminary. The anniversary exercises were held in St. John's Presbyterian Church, 24th of April last. The annual address was delivered by Rev. S. Woodbridge, D. D. The exercises were attended by a large assembly.

The students of the present term, beginning first Thursday of September last, in the *Junior Class*, are Charles D. Merrill, born in Beloit, Wisconsin, and graduate of Beloit College; Eber G. Mathena, born in Ohio, and graduate of Franklin College, Ohio; Mathew T. A. White, born in Nova Scotia. Mr. White enters for a four years' course, as he has not graduated at any College, but the Faculty on examination have received him on trial. Rev. Cephas Bateman, a minister of the Baptist Church, enters this class, specially to study Theology, but wishing to go through the regular course of the three terms of the Seminary. He is a graduate of Vacaville College. The *Middle Class* are W. H. Darden and John McKenzie; and the *Senior Class*, Joseph Hemphill, James Thompson, and David Gamble. There are two young men pursuing classical studies in order to enter the Seminary at a future day. They are not yet under the care of any presbytery, but studying with approved teachers in the City. Other students made application and were expected, but they have not yet made their appearance.

We call your attention to the Report on the Contingent Fund, as also on furnishing the Seminary and the receipts. These reports have been examined by Committees and approved by the Directors, but are submitted to you for information. From the funds for furnishing, only 45 cents remain on hand. The balance in favor of the Contingent Fund was \$137.54, which with the interest thereon for four months (\$6.03), is carried to the account of the present term. We submit to you also the Records of the Trustees and the Treasurer's Report, which explain themselves. A number of valuable books have been added to your Library—gifts from the library of the late Mr. Sweezy, of Howard Presbyterian Church, and from Rev. C. W. Anthony, of Livermore, and from C. S. Capp, Esq., and H. C. Beals, Esq.

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The term for which Drs. White, Lindsley, and Matthews, and Rev. R. Wylie, and of Elders Palmer and Bigelow, were elected, expires at this meeting of the Synod.

There has not yet been any change in your acting Faculty, although we regret to report to you that Rev. Dr. Eells has resigned his chair and accepted a professorship in Lane Seminary. He continues, however, to fill his chair with us until November. In view of this, the Directors earnestly requested the Rev. John Hemphill to give instruction to our students in Homiletics and Pastoral Theology for the remainder of the term after Dr. Eells departure; but, to our regret, Mr. Hemphill declines our invitation. And now we have no time to take further action in the matter, as it is necessary for us to make our annual report to you as soon as we can.

As our report to the General Assembly is published in the Minutes of that body (pp. 666, 667), which are in your hands, it is not deemed expedient for us to consume your time by repeating our words of appeal for sympathy and aid, and for your prayers for your own Seminary. A good work has been begun, and has met with as much or more success for the time than we anticipated. We are free from debt, and our prospects encouraging. The Seminary building is in good order. Panics, fires, and deaths have diminished on some quarters our income, but in other ways it has increased. We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to all the churches and individuals who have contributed to our Contingent Fund for the students, and for the additions to our Library, and especially to Mr. Thaw, of Pittsburg, Pa., for his payment of five thousand dollars during the year past.

All of which is respectfully submitted, this the 3d of Oct. 1879.

W. A. SCOTT, *President.*

R. J. TRUMBULL, *Secretary.*

III. ANNUAL NARRATIVE

OF THE

STATE OF RELIGION

IN THE BOUNDS OF THE

SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.

Your Committee have examined the Narratives of the different Presbyteries, and find many things to rejoice over, as well as some to lament. While they tell of Sabbath desecration, infidelity, and the prevalence of intemperance to an alarming degree, there has been, evidently, an advance along the whole line during the past year.

A steady growth in attendance on the Sabbath services in most of our churches is remarked, while upon several there has been a precious outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

The week of prayer has been generally observed, with very encouraging results, and the weekly prayer-meetings have been quite well sustained.

The Sabbath-school department of our work, we note with pleasure, has witnessed a very prosperous year, there being an increase of attendance of nearly 1000 over last year. One of the most encouraging features is the enlarged contributions to the various bonds of the church, but more especially in respect to the cause of Home and Foreign Missions; but this increase has not been equal to our ability to give, nor of the demands of the work upon us. We note with surprise and grief, that while many of our churches seem willing to receive, they do nothing for the benevolent work of the church and the conversion of the world, forgetting, apparently, the words of the Lord Jesus that it is more blessed to give than to receive; and your Committee would call the prayerful attention of the Pastors, Elders, and members of our churches to the declaration of Jehovah, to his ancient people and to us, "Bring ye *all* the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

In conclusion your Committee would say, While in some respects our field has its discouraging features, yet the outlook is full of promise. There are indeed many and great adversaries opposing us, yet we are to remember also that if God be for us, who can be against us? And as God has been very gracious in years that are past, let us believe that he will be unceasingly so in years to come, and look to him in faith, asking that he may pour out of his spirit upon our pastors, our people, our Theological Seminary, and on this whole Coast in such good measure, that they may rise and shine, clear as the sun, fair as the moon, and terrible as an army with banners.

By order of Synod.

A. J. COMPTON, *Chairman.*

IV. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. STANDING RULES.

I. The Synod shall meet annually during the first week in October, at such time and place as shall be designated at the meeting of the preceding year.

II. The place of meeting shall be determined by a majority, and not by a plurality, of votes. After calling the roll for the first vote, the two places having the greatest number of votes shall alone be voted for.

III. At each meeting of the Synod a Committee of Arrangements shall be appointed to provide for the entertainment of Synod at its next meeting.

IV. The session of the church in which the Synod is to meet shall be a Committee on Devotional Exercises, and propose to Synod the time and character of such special public religious services as may be desirable, and not otherwise provided for.

V. The first half hour of every morning session shall be spent in devotional exercises.

VI. The annual meeting of Synod shall be opened with a sermon by the Moderator; or, in case of his absence, by another member appointed at each meeting for the next succeeding meeting.

VII. The officers of the Synod shall be a Moderator, Stated Clerk, two Temporary Clerks, and a Treasurer—all to be elected by a majority vote. The Moderator and Temporary Clerks shall serve for one year; the Stated Clerk and Treasurer during the pleasure of the Synod.

VIII. The Stated Clerk shall give due notice, through *The Occident*, of the time and place of each meeting of Synod; and prepare for each meeting, and keep a docket of the business that is to come before the Synod. The compensation for the services of the Stated Clerk shall be fifty dollars per annum.

IX. The roll of each Presbytery is to be forwarded by its Stated Clerk immediately after its last meeting next preceding the meeting of Synod, to the Stated Clerk of Synod.

X. Each Presbytery is required to report to each annual meeting of Synod the number of churches, ministers, licentiates, and candidates within the bounds of the Presbytery; and, also, the changes that have taken place during the year, whether from death, reception and dismission of ministers, ordinations, installations, licensures, dissolutions of pastoral relationships, organization or dissolution of churches, or from any other cause whatever.

XI. Each Presbytery shall also forward a written narrative of the state of religion in its bounds, to the Committee of Synod on the Narrative, as soon as possible before the meeting of Synod.

XII. The following *Standing* Committees shall be appointed at each annual meeting:

1. On Bills and Overtures, to consist of five members.
2. On Judicial Business, five members.
3. On Minutes of the General Assembly, three members.
4. On Leave of Absence, three members.
5. On the Treasurer's Account, three members.
6. On Finance and Mileage, five members.
7. On Theological Seminary, five members.
8. On Correspondence, three members.

9. On the Records of the Presbyteries, as many committees as there are Presbyteries in the Synod, to consist of three members each.

The following Permanent Committees shall be appointed at each annual meeting to report to the next meeting.

1. On Synodical Sunday-school meetings, three members.
2. On the Narrative of the State of Religion in the bounds of the Synod for the ensuing year, three members.
3. On Sabbath Observance, three members.
4. On Home Missions.
5. On Foreign Missions.
6. On Education.
7. On Publication.
8. On Church Erection.
9. On Ministerial Relief.
10. On Freedmen.

Each Committee to be one minister and one elder from each Presbytery, including the Chairman of the respective committees in each Presbytery. Vacancies to be filled by the Moderator.

XIII. Standing committees shall report in writing at each annual meeting of Synod.

XIV. Members of Synod absent from its sessions shall assign the reasons for such absence by letter, and those reasons shall be referred to the Committee on Leave of Absence, and be reported thereon.

XV. The Minutes shall be published in pamphlet form, under direction of the Stated Clerk, and a copy sent to every minister, and to the session of every vacant church.

XVI. The General Rules for Judicatories, adopted by the General Assembly, are hereby adopted as a part of these Standing Rules, so far as they are not inconsistent herewith.

XVII. An assessment for the Contingent and Mileage Fund shall be made at each meeting of Synod for the ensuing year, and churches shall be required to contribute to this according to their membership published in the Minutes of the General Assembly last preceding the meeting of Synod at which the assessment falls due.

XVIII. The Treasurer of each Presbytery shall send to the Treasurer of the Synod the full amount required under the assessment, each Presbytery making its own arrangements for collection.

XIX. The Treasurer of the Synod, under the direction of the Finance and Mileage Committee, shall deduct from the amounts received the necessary sum for the ordinary expenses of the Synod, and place the balance, with statement of the amount in default, at the disposal of the Finance and Mileage Committee for mileage.

XX. The Treasurer of each Presbytery, or his representative in case of his absence, shall gather and hand to the Mileage Committee the mileage claim of the members of the Presbytery in attendance in detail, actual stage, railroad, or steamer fares by cheapest route only being counted, without allowance for incidentals of any kind.

XXI. The Mileage Committee, after deducting \$5.00 from each claim, shall pay the acting Treasurer of each Presbytery the amount due to his Presbytery for distribution by him, the amount paid being in proportion to the amount at the disposal of the Committee, but not to exceed actual fares less \$5.00, as above. Any balance in the hands of the Mileage Committee shall be returned to the Treasurer of Synod, and to be taken into account in their recommendation of the amount of the next assessment.

XXII. If any Presbytery neglects or fails to send its full assessment, then the amount in default shall be charged to the Presbytery, and deducted from the amount appropriated to it, and these sums shall therefore be treated by the Mileage Committee as part of its cash assets. The Presbytery of San Francisco is alone and expressly excepted from the operation of this rule.

XXIII. No claim for mileage shall be allowed to any member who is not in attendance before the close of the first morning session, or who does not remain until the close of the session, unless his excuse is stated and sustained in open Synod.

XXIV. The roll shall be called at the opening and close of the session of Synod, and the names of the absentees marked.

XXV. The Committee on Sunday-school meeting shall report for adoption a programme for a Sunday-school meeting or meetings, to be held in connection with the next meeting of Synod.

XXVI. The Synodical Missionary and Directors of the Theological Seminary shall be elected by ballot.

2. CHURCHES AND ELDERS.

(1.) PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
<i>Vallejo</i>	Samuel Duncan, C. B. Towle,	Robert B. Barr.
<i>Shiloh</i>	James McCaughey,	R. G. Acker.
<i>Tomales</i>	John McCausland,	S. Duncan.
<i>Two Rocks</i>	Robert Andrews,	S. Q. Barlow.
<i>Big Valley</i>	Stephen C. Fowler,	W. Putnam.
<i>Vacaville</i>	J. B. Robinson,	J. C. Weir.
<i>Santa Rosa</i>	Edwin H. Smyth,	Isaac Parsons.
	James B. Rue,	C. F. Copeland.
<i>San Rafael</i>	R. J. Trumbull,	Thomas B. Morris.
	Al Barney.	
<i>Healdsburg</i>	E. H. Gates,	W. S. Jacks.
	John Flack,	G. M. Francis.
<i>Napa</i>	Thomas B. McClure,	S. Wing.
<i>Mendocino</i>	Edward C. Williams,	Charles W. Denslow.
<i>St. Helena</i>		
<i>Calistoga</i>		
<i>Clear Lake, First</i>	H. I. Bailey.	
“ “ <i>Second</i>	R. G. Reynolds, M. D., A. Young,	Samuel Clenden.
<i>Point Arena</i>	Benjamin T. McClure,	
<i>Davisville</i>	Wm. H. Hampton, J. B. Tufts.	C. E. Greene.
<i>Westminster</i>	A. A. Saunders.	
<i>Ukiah</i>	N. Wagenseller, T. Reeves.	G. A. Hocker,
<i>Bolinas</i>	Robert D. Bayley,	Hugh Ingram.
<i>Benicia</i>		
<i>Arcata</i>	John W. Skinner,	William Spring,
	Isaac Culberg.	
<i>Fulton</i>	Jacob Saladay, N. Bennett.	John Harmon,
<i>Dixon</i>	S. McBride,	J. Kline.
	G. H. Evans,	Robert Van Buren.
<i>Duncan's Mills</i>		

(2.) PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
<i>San Diego</i>	F. N. Pauley,	L. C. Gunn.
<i>San Buenaventura</i>	E. A. Duval,	J. P. Cutler.
<i>Pasadena</i>	Homer G. Newton, M. D.,	Wm. C. Mosher,
	Wm. T. Clapp.	
<i>Orange</i>	A. A. Talkington,	J. D. Parker,
	Samuel Armor,	Robert Hall.
<i>Anaheim</i>	P. C. McKinnie,	Alex. Bailey.
<i>Los Angeles</i>	Capt. Wm. Smith,	J. S. Slawson,
	Angus Colson,	Hon. John S. Thompson.
<i>Westminster</i>	Josiah McCoy,	Samuel N. Cochrane,
	W. J. Patterson,	Thaddeus Alward,
	James McFadden,	J. F. Fleming.
<i>Santa Ana</i> ..	David Morton,	George W. McDowell.
<i>Santa Barbara</i>	Hon. E. B. Hall,	L. G. Oliver,
	C. C. Ryerson.	
<i>Santa Monica</i>	J. H. Clark.	
<i>Colton</i>	Wm. R. Fox, M. D.,	John Lawshe,
	John S. Ward,	D. W. McLeod.
<i>San Bernardino</i>	Geo. N. Hicks.	
<i>Guadaloupe</i>	Geo. Shafer,	Thos. S. Brown,
	Daniel Coiner.	
<i>Carpinteria</i>	Thos. F. Fish,	E. D. Dimmick.
<i>Wilmington</i>		
<i>Ojai</i>	Wm. S. McKee,	Alexander F. McClure.

(3.) PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

<i>Elko</i>	J. Marchant.	
<i>Eureka</i>	John Horn.	
<i>Visalia</i>	J. A. Keyes,	S. G. Creighton,
	F. J. Walker.	
<i>Porterville</i>	A. C. Stevenson, M. D.,	O. E. Gibbons.
<i>Virginia City</i>	A. B. Elliott,	John S. Grant.
<i>Carson City</i>	William Anderson,	John Singleton.
<i>Pioche</i>	G. H. Fish.	
<i>Red Bluff</i>	Meyer J. Frank.	
<i>Tehama</i>	William Rogers.	
<i>Chico</i>	Watson Chalmers,	George P. Farr.
<i>Colusa</i>	David Craig Montgomery.	
<i>Williams</i>		
<i>Marysville</i>	A. W. Cutts,	Dr. Teegarden.
<i>Sacramento</i>	Andrew Aitken,	Alexander H. McDonald,
	Alexander Hill,	Abraham B. Venable,
	Felix Tracy,	Henry Fisher.
<i>Elk Grove</i>	George Harvey Kerr.	
<i>Woodbridge</i>	John Rutledge,	Andrew T. Rutledge.
<i>Stockton</i>	William M. Baggs.	Prof. A. H. Randall,
	James Crosier,	James Tatterson.
<i>Tracy</i>		
<i>Grayson</i>	James R. McDonald.	
<i>Merced</i>	John K. Law,	
<i>Sonora</i>	Harvey Mayes.	
<i>Columbia</i>	Pearl S. Peters.	
<i>Jackson</i>		

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
<i>Ione</i>	J. M. H. Johnston.	
<i>Amador</i>	L. S. Lewis.	
<i>Mt. Auburn</i>	Sturgess S. McNaughton,	Daniel H. Mitchel,
	John S. Lamb.	
<i>Placerville</i>	E. B. Conklin,	E. Thomas Lee.
	Wm. Chamberlain,	W. B. House.
<i>Eldorado</i>	Munson S. Robinson,	T. S. Dwight.
<i>Taylorville</i>		

(4.) PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

<i>San Francisco, First</i> ...	Nathaniel Gray, Thomas Hopkins, Charles L. Kellogg,	Samuel Irving, J. K. S. Latham, Robert Flenniken.
<i>Howard</i>	Wales L. Palmer,	Ebenezer R. Hawley.
<i>Calvary</i>	James B. Roberts, Redick McKee, William H. Stowell, Cyrus Carmany.	John Dunn, Thomas Magee, Nicholas Romaine,
<i>Larkin Street</i>	Warren Holt, J. S. Webster, A. B. Crosby.	Wm. J. Walker, George F. Trogler,
<i>Chinese</i>		
<i>Oakland, First</i>	Jerome B. Ford, George W. Armes, C. W. Armes,	W. S. Bartlett, George S. Dodge, J. J. Gardner.
<i>Oakland, Second</i>	Hector Morrison,	Alexander Robertson.
<i>Oakland, Chinese</i>	Shing Chack.	
<i>Brooklyn</i>	James Ireland, Morton Humphery.	David Morrow.
<i>Danville</i>	A. J. Young, V. Craig.	Joseph Wiley,
<i>Alameda</i>	J. W. McKee,	John Wiggin.
<i>Central</i>	A. Hemme,	G. I. N. Monell.
<i>Westminster</i>	Charles Geddes, David A. Brown,	John O Doane, Monroe Greenwood.
<i>Olivet</i>		
<i>French</i>	Numa Duperu,	Adolph Juillerat.
<i>San Pablo</i>	John Nicholl.	
<i>Berkeley First</i>	George McDonald,	W. E. Sell.
<i>West Berkeley</i>	James S. Higgins.	
<i>Howard Street</i>	J. W. Stewart, O. F. Von Rhein,	A. S. Hall, W. A. Meeker.
<i>Woodbridge</i>	Hugh Forseman, A. H. Murphy.	S. A. Rice,
<i>St John's</i>	Stephen Franklin, George K. Mearns, William Small,	George K. Gluyas, J. D. Thornton, Edward Dillon.
<i>Memorial</i>	Hugh Crockard.	
<i>Walnut Creek</i>	A. E. Biggs.	
<i>Welsh</i>	E. Watt.	

(5.) PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

<i>Milpitas</i>	Joseph R. Weller.	
<i>Salinas City</i>	Henry Scott, Alexander French,	Judge M. Farley, Wm. Witherow.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
<i>Hollister</i>	A. C. Raymond,	John D. Robinson.
<i>Westminster</i> ..	Milton S. Wilson,	Elijah C. Bradbury,
	George W. McGrew,	C. B. Turner.
<i>San Leandro.</i>	A. C. Dubois,	Andrew Jones.
<i>Menlo Park.</i>	H. P. Coon.	
<i>Mayfield.</i>	David L. Sloan,	J. McG. Patterson.
<i>San Luis Obispo.</i>	Judge McD. R. Venable.	
<i>Arroyo Grande.</i>		
<i>Centerville.</i>	F. H. Hilton.	
<i>Alvarado.</i>		
<i>San Jose.</i>	Thomas Douglas,	Frederick F. Field,
	China Smith, M. D.,	Henry H. Reynolds,
	Charles W. Breyfogle, M. D.	A. S. Evans,
<i>Watsonville.</i>	James Rodgers,	Frank Clark,
	Neil McLean,	Timothy Cowles,
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<i>Tule River.</i>	Wm. Thomson.	
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	H. W. Briggs.	
<i>Livermore.</i>	H. R. Huie,	Owen Owens.
<i>Pleasanton.</i>	L. T. Hayden.	
<i>Cambria.</i>	James C. McPherson,	William B. Herbert,
	Lorenzo Utley,	Alexander Cook.
<i>Bakersfield.</i>	Wellington Caufield,	B. K. Said.

3. SUCCESSION OF MODERATORS AND STATED CLERKS.

MODERATORS.

1852-69.

(1.)—O. S. Branch.

SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.

A. D.	NAME.	PRESBYTERY.	PLACE.
1852,	James Woods,	of Stockton,	at San Francisco, Cal.
1854,	J. L. Yantis, D. D.,	Oregon,	" "
1856,	W. C. Anderson, D. D.,	California,	" "
1859,	S. Woodbridge, D. D.,	Benicia,	" "
1860,	Frederick Buel,	California,	Stockton, "
1861,	Joshua L. Phelps, D. D.,	Stockton,	Napa, "
1862,	Henry R. Avery,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "
1863,	P. V. Veeder,	Benicia,	" "
1864,	R. Happersett, D. D.,	Stockton,	" "
1865,	John Edwards,	California,	Healdsburg, "
1866,	Thomas Fraser,	Benicia,	San Francisco, "
1867,	J. S. McDonald,	Stockton,	" "
1868,	J. G. Fackler,	California,	" "
1869,	A. L. Lindsley, D. D.,	Oregon,	" "

1857-69.

(2.)—N. S. Branch.

SYNOD OF ALTA, CALIFORNIA.

1857,	S. H. Willey,	of San Francisco,	at Sacramento, Cal.
1858,	S. S. Harmon,	Sierra Nevada,	San Francisco, "
1859,	W. W. Brier,	San Jose,	" "
1860,	S. B. Bell,	"	" "
1861,	L. Hamilton,	"	Sacramento, "
1862,	E. B. Walsworth,	Sierra Nevada,	San Francisco, "
1863,	A. F. White,	San Jose,	" "
1864,	G. Pierson,	"	" "
1865,	C. C. Wallace,	Sierra Nevada,	Oakland, "
1866,	H. M. Scudder, D. D.,	San Francisco,	San Francisco, "
1867,	I. N. Hurd,	"	" "
1868,	James Pierpont,	"	" "
1869,	E. B. Walsworth,	San Jose,	" "

1870-79.

(3.)—Reunited Church.

SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.

1870, J. G. Fackler (Session of July),	of California,	at San Francisco, Cal.
1870, S. Woodbridge, D. D.,		
(Session of October),	San Francisco,	" "
1871, W. W. Brier,	San Jose,	Oakland, "
1872, N. B. Klink,	Benicia,	Gilroy, "
1873, A. L. Lindsley, D. D.,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "
1874, Frederic E. Shearer,	San Francisco,	Sacramento, "
1875, James Matthews, D. D.,	Sacramento,	Oakland, "
1876, W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D.,	San Francisco,	San Jose, "
1877, Edward Graham,	Los Angeles,	Stockton, "
1878, Wm. Alexander, D. D.,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1879, Richard Wylie,	Benicia,	Oakland, "

STATED CLERKS.

(1.)—O. S. Branch.

1852, Albert Williams.
 1856, S. Woodbridge, Jr.
 1862, Albert Williams.
 1865, John Edwards.

(2.)—N. S. Branch.

1857, E. B. Walsworth.
 1868, George Pierson.

(3.)—Reunited Church.

1870, D. W. Poor, D. D.

1873, Frederic E. Shearer.



